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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/012273	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 28 June 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 29 June 2004				
TITLE OF INVENTION MAINTENANCE/RECOVERY DEVICE	FINVENTION TENANCE/RECOVERY DEVICE FOR LIQUID DISCHARGE DEVICE, AND IMAGE FORMING DEVICE					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Masanori KUSUNOKI, Toshitaka OSANAI, Noboru HIRAMATSU and Michio YAMAMOTO						
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2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
4. The US has been elected (Article 31)		·				
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a. X is attached hereto (require	ed only if not communicated by the Internation	al Bureau).				
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. c. is not required, as the app	c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).					
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a. is attached hereto.	a. is attached hereto.					
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7 Amendments to the claims of the In	ternational Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))				
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8. An English language translation of	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).					
9. x An oath or declaration of the invent	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
10. An English language translation of the Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).					
Items 11 to 20 below concern document	(s) or information included:					
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12. 🗝 An assignment document for record	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.					
13. A preliminary amendment.	A preliminary amendment.					
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.					
15. A substitute specification.						
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